

SECRETARY SEWARD.

His Reported Intended Marriage—The Bride and Groom to Be.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—The news is not of fact, but of indications. A few weeks since, before the storm, it was a question of a water-pot? In the interval all the prophets are out with horoscopes, telescopes, smoked glasses, cauldrons, divining rods, and other things, making prophecies by legerdemain or clairvoyance.

It is a deluge I hope you will publish a newspaper up to date, even to the entering of Seymour and his sons into the ark, with all the preceding things that they have done for their kind. But my news is the other way. I saw a letter from a Charleston editor of character to-day, saying:—"We think it looks as blue as the devil."

His happiness is the British sailor's, who, coming home from a foreign cruise in November, saw the familiar faces of Kent, and said:—"None of your d—d blue skies here!"

It cannot be premature, since a journal which ought to know the province of life so well as the New York Tribune, has already announced it editorially, for me to speak of the alleged wedding of Mr. Seward. It is believed around town generally that he is to be married within a short time to Miss Olive Readey, daughter of the late Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, or of the Deputy Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Miss Readey has been a familiar friend of Mr. Seward, a good while the chary of his carriage, the approved or the favored daughter, and I think, in fact, his house. She was one of the party of excursionists West a year or more ago, and distinguished herself as a brilliant and vivacious conversationalist, and withal as a most sensible woman. Her family came from Connecticut, New York. I have never understood, and it is true, perhaps Mr. Seward made the acquaintance of her family when a resident of that region in 1836, as the agent of the Holland Land Company.

She is what we call a "dame woman," large in shoulders and figure, with height to give her carriage, fine large eyes, the features about the mouth and chin being less delicate, but together she is a perfect physical presence. I am only repeating what will probably get to the public through other mediums before my letter reaches you, that the story goes here to be true.

Within a recent period Mrs. Risley, more, died, being supplied by Mr. Seward with his own physician from New York, and otherwise tenderly treated. She called up the future groom and he, in turn, called up the bride. I have never heard of death to embarrass no wishes which at Auburn they had entertained. It is, therefore, current all over Washington that two weeks will not elapse before the nuptials will be consummated. Mr. Seward is reported to have a daughter, and his large edifice here demands a mansion to reside in its reception, since pretty little Mrs. Fret Steward loses her family more than this ostentatious grandeur, and will readily yield her place to any other lady who may be considered hard on it, Mr. Seward's. A social being, still with the powers of endurance, fond of a glass of wine, who can ride all day up the banks of Rock creek walk to the three miles, and take the distance, write and deliver a speech that almost breaks his bearers, and stand up in public receptions from nine to twelve o'clock, and be a versatile miracle. Weddings of this sort are so far from being a disappointment to the diplomat in Europe. The diplomat there never turns, but turns a sort of foxy silver, like Gortschakoff, who grew more foxy and wily, capable of diving deeper, swimming further, and coming up oftener, as he approached the distant shore. Mr. Seward was born in the year 1801, and we hope he will continue amongst us till the year 1869. By that time full justice will have been done him.

The conquest of our distinguished diplomatist is truly an unassisted one, and a compliment to those rare powers of fascination which are the admiration of Europe as of his countrymen. The aged soldier—not to speak of the first Black Republic—has been a victor, and so victorious as when he came from the camp to bed. So with the diplomatist, whom we may admire in his own derision of the State, quoted by him in the peroration of his Auburn speech in 1865, with nothing changed but the general.

RAILROAD LINES.

READING RAILROAD.—GREAT TRUNK LINE from Philadelphia to the interior of Pennsylvania, Susquehanna, Cumberland, and Wyoming. Arrives at New York, west and the Canada. Summer Arrangement of Passenger Trains, Thirtieth and Callowhill streets, Philadelphia, at the following hours:—

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PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL RAILROAD.—LARGE TRAIN TAKING EFFECT SEPT. 1, 1868. THE TRAINS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL RAILROAD leave the Depot, at THIRTY-THIRD and MARKET streets, which are started directly by the Market street cars, the last car connecting with each train leaving Front and Market streets by the Market street cars, the last car connecting with each train leaving Front and Market streets by the Market street cars.

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BUNTING, DUBROW & CO. AUCTIONEERS. 222 N. 11th Street. Large Sale of French and Other Goods. On Monday morning, at 10 o'clock, on 4 months credit, 10 1/2 1/2.

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